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SUBJECT: ACTION REQUEST ON NEGOTIATIONS UNDER GLOBAL
AGREEMENT TO PROTECT OZONE LAYER

REF: SECSTATE 245175

1. (SBU) Dominican Foreign Minister Carlos Morales Troncoso received the Ambassador on November 18, heard out USG concerns from reftel concerning the requested U.S. allocation of methyl bromide under the Montreal Protocol, and readily assured the Ambassador that the Dominican Republic would support the U.S. position. He said he would immediately issue instructions to that effect. The Ambassador left the Department's non-paper with the Minister

2. (SBU) Morales Troncoso commented that he believed states parties to the Protocol could register their votes electronically. Embassy would appreciate information from Department on this point.

3. (SBU) EcoPol Counselor had raised the subject the previous day with MFA Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs Juan Giuliani Cury, providing him the briefing material. Giuliani Cury was in the Minister's outer office when the Ambassador arrived, a fact that suggests he was able to brief the Minister on the subject.

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